

Woodruff Block (Rizzuto Building)  
22-24 West First Street  
La Junta  
Otero County  
Colorado

HABS No. CO-75

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey  
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Colorado		COUNTY Otero	TOWN OR VICINITY La Junta
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Woodruff Block			HABS NO. CO-75
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Rizzuto Building			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 22-24 West First Street; southeast corner of First and Santa Fe Avenue			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) January to August, 1892		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) W. H. Robinson	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) One of the first buildings in downtown La Junta to be built of material other than wood. First occupants were a dry goods store by the name of A. C. Draper & Company and a drugstore called Joy & Company.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Richardsonian Romanesque			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Native limestone			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) 50' x 140': front 80' is two-story, back 60' is one story.			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Random ashlar limestone with plain horizontal window and door lintels.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Downstairs consists of six separate commercial areas; two large areas facing First Street and four smaller ones facing Santa Fe Avenue. The upstairs has a hallway down the center and four rooms on each side.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES No major alterations were made to the structure. Interior arrangement was changed by rearranging the walls; one-story part of structure was stucco on the street side.			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Extremely deteriorated; currently vacant.			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Frances Keck, local historian. Structure was determined eligible for listing on the National Register.			
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Dan Noller, Administrative Assistant, City of La Junta			DATE 7/18/85